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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Noriaki HIRAGA ) Confirmation No.: 7356  
Application No.: 09/625,643 ) Group Art Unit: 2836  
Filed: July 25, 2000 ) Examiner: Z. Kitov  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED ) Mail Stop RCE  
CIRCUIT DEVICE WITH ENHANCED )  
RESISTANCE TO ELECTROSTATIC )  
BREAKDOWN )

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
2011 South Clark Place  
Customer Window, **Mail Stop RCE**  
Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03  
Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

[X] Previously submitted:

[X] Please consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 13, 2003. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

[ ] Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

[ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_.

[ ] Enclosed:

[ ] Amendment/Reply

[ ] Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

[ ] Information Disclosure Statement with Form 1449 and 1 document as listed

[ ] Other \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Fees Calculation

(a) RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)  
 \$770.00  
 \$385.00 (for small entity)

(b) Extension of Time

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below.

Total Months <u>Requested</u>	Fee for <u>Extension</u>	[Fee for Small Entity]
[X] one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
[ ] two months	\$ 420.00	\$219.00
[ ] three months	\$ 950.00	\$475.00
[ ] four months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00

Extension of time fee due with this request: **\$ 110.00**.

(c) Other \_\_\_\_\_.

**The total fee for this submission: \$ 880.00.**

4. Fee Payment

Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ filing fee is enclosed.  
 The Director is hereby authorized to charge **\$880.00** (\$110.00 for the one-month extension of time fee and \$770.00 for the RCE filing fee) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

5. Additional papers enclosed:

- Preliminary Amendment
- Declaration of Biological Deposit
- Submission of "Sequence Listing", computer readable copy and/or amendment pertaining thereto for biotechnology invention containing nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence.

Respectfully submitted,

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By: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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